KENTUCKY'S ENVIRONMENT

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EQC Honors Kentuckians During Earth Day Award Ceremony

On April 22, the Environmental Quality Commission recognized ten state, local, business, educational and citizen leaders in celebration of the 28th anniversary of Earth Day.



EQC honored these Kentuckians for their outstanding service, commitment, and dedication at a ceremony held on April 22 at Salato Wildlife Education Center in Frankfort. This year's EQC Earth Day Award winners are:

- **County** for the school's commitment to student recycling and teaching environmental awareness.
- ❖ *Albert Ridner*, *Burlington*, *Boone County* for his service and dedication to the clean up of illegal dumps in Boone County.
- **Cane Run Elementary School, Louisville, Jefferson County** for the school's efforts to promote legislation requiring local school districts to recycle white paper and cardboard.
- **The Concept Zero, Eddyville, Lyon County** for educating the public and public officials on the environmental and economic benefits of protecting and promoting Land Between the Lakes in a noncommercial and ecologically sustainable manner.
- Phyllis Hannon, scn, Louisville, Jefferson County for her commitment and service to protecting the environment through environmental education, recycling and preservation of urban Continued on back page

MEETINGS/CONFERENCES

May 2 - Field Trip to Cumberland Falls State Park Nature Preserve - Trip is free, but registration is limited. Contact: Teresa Prather, Kentucky State Nature Preserves, 502-573-2886.

Solid Waste Reduction & Buy Recycled Workshops - May 6 - Morehead; May 7 - Prestonsburg; May 13 - Hardin; May 14 - Owensboro; June 9 - London; June 10 - Bowling Green; June 11 - Russell Springs; June 18 - Louisville; and June 14 - Elizabethtown. Contact: KY Pollution Prevention Center, 502-852-0964.

UK College of Engineering Meetings and Workshops - May 12-14 - KY Coal Utilization Conference; May 17-19 1998 KY GIS Conference; June 2-4 - Noise Prediction Software Workshop; June 4-6 - SME/CAS Annual Spring Meeting; June 9-11 - Wetland Delineation & Constructed Wetlands. Contact: Kim King, 606-257-4634.

May 15-1998 Kentucky Geosciences Symposium - Hosted by the KY Geological Survey, Lexington. Contact: Kevin Wente, 606-257-1147. May 16 - Founder's Day Celebration at McConnell Springs - Contact: 606-225-4073.

May 16 - Kentucky Waterway Alliance Advisory Council Meeting - Guest speaker Tom Van Arsdall, Ky Division of Water, will discuss the Ky's 1998 303(d) list. Contact: Judy Petersen, 502-524-1774.

May 16 - Volunteers for Beargrass Creek- event to plant native trees and shrubs along the south fork of Beargrass Creek. Contact: Kathy Wynne, 502-544-0604.

June 9-24 - Floyds Fork: The Study of Rural & Urban Watersheds - Graduate course offered by the U of L Ctr. for Environmental Education. Contact: David Wicks, 502-485-3295.

June 20 - '98 Kentucky River Clean Sweep - Contact: LexCall, 606-425-2255.

June 20 - '98 Ohio River Sweep - Contact: Jeanie Ison, ORSANCO, 513-232-3511.

July 13 - KY Heritage Land Conservation Fund Board Meeting - 11:00 p.m., 663 Teton Trail, Frankfort. Grant information available upon request. Contact: Joe Dietz, 502-564-2184.

July 15-16 - Ohio River 2000, A Magnificent Promise for the Future - Conference is in honor of ORSANCO's 50th anniversary and will focus on the Ohio River into the next century. Open to public, marina owners, barge operations, recreational users, and industries. Contact: Jeanie Ison, 502-231-7719.

E Q C is a seven-member citizen board that advises officials on environmental matters, provides a public forum for the discussion of issues, and monitors environmental conditions. To receive the free EQC newsletter call 502-564-2150 ext. 160, e-mail EQC@mail.nr.state.ky.us, or write to EQC at 14 Reilly Rd., Frankfort, KY 40601. EQC Internet Web page http://www.state.ky.us/agencies/eqc/eqc.html. Printed bimonthly with state funds.

Volunteers Needed to Sample Licking and Salt Rivers for Water Quality

Individuals who live or work in the Licking and Salt River Basins are encouraged to participate in Watershed Watch. Volunteers will make site visits, conduct visual surveys, and take water samples for analysis. Sampling events will occur throughout the spring, summer and fall. A series of roundtable discussions will be held to provide various watershed management agencies working in the river basins with the results of the water samples. Register with Ken Cooke by phone at 800-928-0045, e-mail at kywwp@igc.org, or on-line (http://water.nr.state.ky.us/watch/register.htm).

Community Rivers and Streams Grant Program

The Department for Local Government is requesting applications for the Community Rivers and Streams Grant Program. There is \$50,000 available to promote community partnerships that foster the management and protection of local and regional river water resources and their accompanying watersheds, streams, and riparian areas. Applicants must be a city, county or urban government. The maximum grant award is \$5,000. The submission deadline is June 26, 1998. Contact Jim Barker at 502-564-2382 for more information.

Fish Consumption Advisories Reissued

The KY Departments for Health, Environmental Protection, and Fish and Wildife Resources reissued fish consumption advisories for the Ohio River bordering Kentucky. Fish species were tested for organic chemicals,



such as PCBs, chlordane, dioxin and heavy metals. The advisories cautions consumers not to eat any paddlefish caught in the Ohio River Continued on back page

PUBLIC NOTICES/HEARINGS KY Division of Waste - Solid Waste Notices

* Fort Campbell Sanitary Landfill #5 (Christian Co.)- renewal of solid waste permit landfill to 8/23/02. (024-00011 LR1PR1).

* Glasgow Regional Landfill (Barren Co.) - renewal of solid waste permit landfill permit to 5/1/03. (005-00001 LC2PR1).

*ISP Chemicals, Inc. (Marshall Co.)- application to expand existing landfill to extend life of landfill. (079-00012 LE2MOSX1).

* **Dow Corning Corp., (Carroll Co.)** - application to renew landfill permit to 12/8/2002. **Public Comment** is due by May 22. (021-00008 LE1PR1).

*Laurel Ridge Landfill, (Laurel Co.) - groundwater assessment plan approved to address leaking landfill. Public Comment is due by May 26. (063-00003).

* US Brick-Sipple Division, (Powell Co.) - a registered permit by rule beneficial reuse application. Public Comment is due by June 30. (#099-00014).

Contact: Carol Sole, 502-564-6716, ext. 216

KY Division of Waste Management - Hazardous Waste Notices

*Safety-Kleen, Louisville (Jefferson Co.) - public notice concerning change of operational permit from treatment and storage facility to a transfer facility. Petition for formal hearing and comments should be submitted before May 27, 1998. Contact: Michael V. Welsh, 502-564-6716.

KY Division of Waste Mgt. - Underground Storage Tanks Border's Summit Market, Hwy 60 W, Ashland (9515-010).

The above notice involves corrective action plans to remediate groundwater or soil contamination from an underground storage tank. Contact: Roy Johnson, 502-564-6716, ext. 223.

KY Division of Water - KPDES Water Permit Notices

- * City of Lawrenceburg (Anderson Co.) modification of municipal pretreatment program, Public Comment is due by May 21. (Public Notice # PT 98-002). Contact: DOW KPDES Branch, 502-564-3410.
- * Blue Grass Airport, (Fayette Co.) proposed permit involving existing discharges of storm water runoff containing deicing fluids, fuel residues and aircraft wash water from the airport that enters the South Fork of Elkhorn Creek. Public Hearing May 12, 7:00 p.m., Dunbar High School Library, 1600 Man O' War Boulevard, Lexington. (NPDES # KY0101851). Contact: Courtney Seitz, 502-564-3410.
- * Local Sanitation of Rowan Co. (Rowan Co.) permit modification

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to add a new outfall to an existing discharge of storm water runoff from a solid waste landfill that enters Swim Branch in Rowan Co. *29 Water Discharge Permit Issuances/Reissuances - (Public Notices 1998 13-15). Contact: Judy Ziegler, 502-564-3410, ext. 465. KY Division for Air Quality - Notices

- * Osram Sylvania Products, Versailles (Woodford Co) minor construction/operation permit for lime glass furnace modification (log# F360).
- * CRC No. 1 LLC, Morganfield (Union Co.) minor construction/ operation permit for coal fines pelletizing plant (log# F517).
- * CRC No. 6 LLC, Corbin (Whitley Co.) minor construction/operation permit for coal fines pelletizing plant (log# F550).
- * Joseph E. Seagrams, Lawrenceburg (Anderson Co.) conditional major source operating permit for whiskey distillery (log# E439).
- * Inland Container Coorporation, Maysville (Mason Co.) conditional major source operating permit for a recycled paper products manufacturer (log# E610).
- *NACCO Materials Handling, Berea (Madison Co.) conditional major source operating permit for materials handling equipment manufacturer (log# F333).

US EPA Underground Injection Wells - Notice

Good Rock Oil Company, Warren Co. (KY98UIC013) - Notice of Intent to deny an underground injection control permit. Contact: William Mann, 404-562-9424.

PROPOSED STATE REGULATIONS

* Air Quality - Notice of Intent to Promulgate Administrative Regulations to receive public comment on 24 new air quality regulations and amendments that incorporate National Air Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants. A **Public Hearing** is scheduled for **May 27**, 10:00 a.m., 803 Schenkle Lane, Frankfort. Contact: Millie Ellis, 502-573-3382.

FEDERAL NOTICES

- * US Army Corps of Engineers Lake Cumberland Debris Management Project, joint public notice from the Corps of Engineers and the Commonwealth of Kentucky for the proposed construction of a debris collection and management system on the Cumberland River in Whitley Co. Written comment is due by May 6. Contact: Ray Hedrick, 615-736-5026. City of Albany, proposed water supply storage reallocation in Lake Cumberland. Comments are due by May 30. Contact: William Barron, 615-736-2023.
- * TVA Requests "Green Power" Proposals TVA is requesting "green power" proposals from companies in an effort to promote the generation of electricity from solar, wind, biomass or geothermal sources. Contact: Barbara Martocci, 423-632-8632
- * Daniel Boone National Forest Public Comment Requested May 8, comments are due concerning removal of trees damaged by February snowfall. By the end of May, scoping input is due on the following activities in the Red Bird District: the reconstruction and maintainance of a 30-foot trail bridge on Cliffside Trail; the Mount Victory Watershed Project Area to treat acid mine drainage; and the Sweet Smelling Toilets for Alpine, Sawyer and Bee Rock Recreation Areas. By the end of June, scoping input is due on the reconstruction of Noes Boat Ramp in the Somerset District. Contact: USFS, 606-745-3100.

 * U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service seeking public input into developing the Draft Comprehensive Conservation Plan for the Ohio River Islands National Wildlife Refuge. Public scoping and informational meetings will begin in May. Contact: Jerry Wilson,

Refuge Manager, 304-422-0752.

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green space at Spalding University in Louisville.

- Judge-Executive Carroll Smith and the Letcher County Sewer and Water Study Group, Whitesburg, Letcher County
- for their dedication to the elimination of straight pipe discharges and commitment to the formation of the Letcher County Water and Sewer District.
- ❖ Friends of Fishtrap, Feds Creek, Pike County for organizing clean ups of Fishtrap Lake and monitoring the lake and its tributaries for illegal dumping.
- **Estill County High School "Bottle Bill" Students, Irvine, Estill County** for their efforts in promoting legislation that would reduce roadside litter by putting a deposit on beverage containers and for educating the legislature and the public on the recycling of beverage containers.
- ❖ Appalachian Molding and Millwork LLC, Clay City, Powell County for their commitment to the beneficial reuse of scrap hardwood in the making of molding and trim.
- ❖ Judge-Executive Sandy Watkins and Pauline Gerard, Henderson, Henderson County for their efforts and leadership in cleaning up illegal dumps and promoting recycling in Henderson County.
- ❖ 1998 EQC Public Servant Award Kentucky State Representative Joe Clarke, Danville, Boyle County In recognition for 28 years of service as a Kentucky state legislator. In that time Rep. Clarke recognized and supported the role of state government in protecting the environment and public health, and through his leadership insured appropriate funding of environmental programs during the time he served as chair of the House Appropriation and Revenue Committee.

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bordering Kentucky and sets limits for the intake of carp, channel catfish, smallmouth buffalo, white bass, black bass, hybrid striped bass, drum, and sauger. For more information about consumption levels contact Mike Mills, KY Div. of Water (502-564-3410), Pete Pfeiffer, KY Dept. of Fish & Wildlife (502-564-3596), or Guy Delius, KY Dept. for Public Health, (502-564-7181).

PUBLICATIONS

- *Annual Public Water System Compliance Report The Safe Drinking Water Act requires states to submit an annual report to EPA on compliance records of the state's public water systems. The Report provides the number of violations for four catagories: maximum contaminant levels (MCLs), treatment techniques (TT), variances and exemptions, and significant monitoring violations. Contact: Drinking Water Branch, 502-564-3410 or view on-line (http://water.nr.state.ky.us/dow/compsum.htm).
- *Draft 1998 303(d) List of Waters The CleanWater Act requires states to identify and list streams where water quality problems exist, prioritize the list, calculate allowable pollutant limits, and implement plans to remedy the impairment. Contact: Water Quality Branch, 502-564-3410 or view on-line (http://water.nr.state.ky.us/dow/303d98.htm).

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